

SEN. LODGE CHEERED BY THE GALLERIES

Foreign Relations Chairman Assails League of Nations

DEMOCRATS ARE HISSED
Vice President Twice Threatens to Clear the Galleries Unless Order Preserved.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The traditional decorum of Senate procedure was upset today by an unusual demonstration of approval from the galleries following an address by Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, chairman of the foreign relations committee, assailing provisions of the league of nations covenant.

For more than a minute the gallery spectators applauded and cheered in violation of Senate rules, and then when order had been restored they interrupted with howls and hisses a speech by Senator Williams, Democrat Mississippi, in reply to Mr. Lodge. In spite of sharp admonition from the chair there were more hisses mingled with applause when Senator Hitchcock, Democrat, Nebraska, seconded Senator Williams' speech.

Vice-President Marshall made no attempt to check the first demonstration until it had begun to die out, but later he twice threatened to clear the galleries unless order was preserved.

"A Subject Nation."

Senator Lodge's address, itself interrupted, was aimed chiefly against league provisions which he said would make the United States "a subject nation," and ended with an appeal for the preservation of Americanism. The covenant in its present form, he asserted, would not establish a league of peace but would destroy the Monroe Doctrine and give other nations the power to decide domestic American questions and to order American troops into foreign service.

Senator Williams bitterly assailed the foreign relations chairman, declaring that in three months of preparation he had worded his address to serve Republican political ends and to play to the galleries.

No Appeal for Rejection.

There was no appeal in Senator Lodge's address for rejection of the league altogether, nor was there any mention of the program of reservations proposed by seven Republican senators as a basis of its acceptance. It was learned, however, that this program had been discussed with him by some of its sponsors and that a conference of Republicans would be held within a few days at which an attempt will be made to bring the Massachusetts Senators and several others into agreement on such a plan.

It was understood the reservation group felt they had good grounds for believing that their proposal would be accepted by Mr. Lodge and that enough Republicans could then be lined up to insure success of the movement should the Democratic leaders give their assent.

Tumultuous Session.

The uproar in the Senate chamber followed an equally tumultuous session of the foreign relations committee at which David Hunter Miller, legal adviser to the league of nations Commission at Versailles, was vigorously questioned by Republican senators about the genius of the league covenant and the meaning of some of its provisions. Clashes over the manner of questioning the witness resulted repeatedly in intervention by the chairman to restore order.

Mr. Miller said he never had seen the "American plan" for a league of nations until it was in printed form ready for submission to the commission, and that later the basis of discussion by the commission was a composite plan framed from the drafts of the various nations by himself and C. P. J. Hurst, a legal attache of the British foreign office.

Son-in-Law of Col. House.

Under questionings the witness said he was a law partner of Gordon Auchincloss, son-in-law of Col. E. M. House, and never had any experience in international litigation until he was given an appointment in the State Department in 1917.

The witness was asked many hypothetical questions about the operation of the league covenant and his answers were objected to several times by Republican members as evasive. On some of the questions he reserved judgment.

It was the opinion of committee mem-

PUT MORE LAND UNDER FENCE

Clarendon County needs more live stock on its farms. It needs more livestock not only to make the individual farmer's pocketbook fatter, but not only to make the land richer, but for the sake of the County as a whole. The farmer is now up against a very difficult problem; the labor situation, and as there are no signs of abatement of the labor shortage for a number of years something else must be done.

In a few more years the farmer will have another knotty problem to solve. At least it will be knotty for some, when Mr. Boll Weevil walks up and knocks on your front door. Will you greet him with a dose of poison gas in the form of arsenite of lead, or will you be growing a variety of crops that Mr. Weevil will not feed on, or will you be one of the many who will be prepared in no way to farm under boll weevil and labor shortage conditions. Washington said, "In time of peace prepare for war." The farmers of Clarendon County are now at peace with the boll weevil but as everyone has been warned years in advance of the coming of this destructive insect all should be prepared. Immediately the question is asked, "what can be done? What precaution must be taken, what changes must be made in our system of farming so that we can raise large crops just as we did when we had plenty of labor and no boll weevil?"

There are several answers to these questions but the first plan and the one that will bring in the most profit is, "Put more land under fence and Raise more live stock." Again the questions are asked, how much will fence cost? Where can I get it? Where can I get the stock with which to start? How will I be sure it is good stock? Where will I find a market after my stock is grown and fattened? How will raising live stock help me under labor shortage conditions?

We will answer the last question first. The farmer who raises live stock will have steady work for his laborers the year round and can afford to hire and will be able to hire a better class of labor on yearly contracts than he can hire laborers for only a season. Besides, the farmer whose operations make possible the distribution of the maximum amount of labor throughout the year is in a much stronger position from every standpoint than the one who is compelled to call in larger numbers of temporary helpers at critical times. Live stock is also a cash crop as well as one that can be used at home. When a farmer takes his stock to market he comes home with a check in his pocket. Again, in live stock raising the farmer need only grow the crops and his stock will harvest it. This will save the farmer a large amount of labor not only at harvest time and in hauling manure, and at the same time the stock get the necessary exercise they need to make the best gains. Finally the crops that fatten stock do not fatten boll weevils.

Now I have come to what I have been wanting to say ever since I started this article. When you want to get more fence, buy live stock, raise live stock and then sell live stock let your County Agent, Clemson College, and the U. S. Department help you. Just now I am getting up an order for a carload of wire fence. The Animal Husbandry Extension Men at Clemson College are getting prices from various manufacturers for carload lots. This will give the farmers who want few or many rods of wire the advantage of the lowest price obtainable. Any farmer in Clarendon County can take advantage of this wholesale price by getting in touch with your County Agent.

Likewise any one wishing help in selecting, buying, raising or selling live stock can have the help of the County Agent and the Animal Husbandry Experts of Clemson College and the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This fall and winter I am going to ship a number of carloads of hogs co-operatively. Any farmer wishing to sell hogs this coming fall and winter and in succeeding years, whether he has few or many, one or a hundred, can do so and the man selling only a few hogs can then get the same price as the man selling a carload. But the big thing to remember is that when you have raised your stock you are assured of a market and one that will be too big for Clarendon County to glut. Start now to prepare to give the boll weevil a warm reception and at a profit to yourself.

A. M. Musser,
County Agent.

bers, however, that Mr. Miller would not be recalled and that no further witnesses would be asked to come before the committee in its consideration of the treaty. Some members want to ask that Col. House, who is still in Europe, be called to answer questions about the league, but the general expectation is that the proposal will be abandoned because too great a delay would result.

Te Republican Senators who have agreed on a reservation program are anxious that the treaty be disposed of at the earliest possible moment, and it is believed they will try to impress that sentiment at the forthcoming conferences with Senator Lodge and others.

MUCH INFORMATION CONCERNING COTTON

Secured by the American Cotton Association.

FROM CENTERS IN NORTH

Mass Meeting to Be Held in Early Fall for Recommending Minimum Price.

Columbia, Aug. 11.—The following has been given out by the American Cotton Association:

"The American Cotton Association through confidential representatives, has been securing inside information from the cotton consuming centers of the North and from the New York exchange for quite some length of time. Much of the information secured is very valuable.

"A mammoth mass meeting will be held in the early fall for the purpose of discussing and recommending a minimum price for the growing crop based on supply and demand and the comparison in prices of manufactured products and other commodities, also the matter of acreage for the coming year will be seriously considered. The farms will be operated upon a business basis and only such acreage will be planted as, based on supply and demand, will bring a profitable price. Under no condition will the acreage be planted to establish surplus to bear down prices.

"After this meeting confidential information, secured as stated above, will receive the most careful consideration and attention of special committees, and in all probability a request for a special investigation of the flagrant manipulation which has been practiced in the cotton market will be made. As a result of this manipulation the South has suffered the loss of millions.

"One of the leading bankers from the wealthy Western section recently stated:

"We would be delighted to loan money on your cotton, as money is extremely easy with us, but it is an absolute tool for the manipulator, the prices being flagrantly and violently manipulated at his own sweet will, so that cotton is really considered as a gambling product, and in our section of the West it is considered unsafe for handling by the banks. You should do something to stabilize your prices."

"Dry goods today, since the break in the price of cotton, are still advancing, it being impossible to have orders filled without delay. It has just been stated that it will be necessary to allot men's underwear on account of the great shortage of the manufactured product. There will be a record breaking demand for cotton.

As soon as the peace treaty has been confirmed, the manipulator will be denied one implement that he has used to beat down prices and caused the South fabulous losses, as Germany cannot buy a pound of cotton, even with gold, until the peace treaty has been confirmed.

"Experts who are working on the cost of production of the growing crop find that it will be the most expensive crop ever grown. One leading expert from the South, Mr. Morrison of New Orleans, a recognized authority, rendered a detailed statement including every item showing the cost of production of the growing crop, basing middling, of 47 1-2 cents per pound. With the present shortage of labor, the percentage of off-grade cotton from the growing crop will probably break all previous records, as there is certain to be a great deal of trouble and delay in gathering the growing crop, which will be bound to cause off and low grade cotton.

"Much of the information in possession of the association shows that the laws of supply and demand are absolutely ignored. The inflation of the currency which is as unchangeable as the law of gravitation has no bearing. However, these laws cannot continue to be violated, they will assert themselves eventually. In addition to this watch the condition of the growing crop from August 15 to September 1, and you will see record-breaking deterioration." The cotton plant in its present condition cannot stand dreverses, neither can we spin paper cotton, bolls, or cotton cotton, which are included in the published surplus.

"The laws of God work slowly but surely. Truth crushed to earth will rise again. These laws cannot be ignored. True, some manipulators have gone unpunished for so, these many

PAXVILLE NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Harvin accompanied by their little sons, John and Gunter left Friday for a week's stay at Sullivan's Island.

Miss Eunice Hunter of Bamberg spent last week with her friend Miss Iva Geddings.

Mr. Earle Cutter of Charleston spent several days of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Cutter.

Rev. T. B. Owens is on a visit to his family at Chesterfield. He expects to move here by September 1st and will occupy the residence recently vacated by Mr. R. S. Smith.

Misses Jessie and Vivian Curtis are back from a trip to Waynesville, Asheville, and Lake Junaluska.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Rodgers of Kingstree visited at the home of Mrs. Annie E. Herlong last week.

Miss Ethel Corbett and Mrs. T. W. Gunter entertained the members and friends of their Sunday school classes on Monday afternoon at Eddin's Mill. A tempting lunch was served at sun down.

Miss Iva Geddings entertained on Wednesday evening in honor of her house guest, Miss Eunice Hunter.

Miss Ruth Martin of Fair Forest is visiting Miss Etta Corbett near town.

Mr. W. P. Corbett, Miss Maggie Corbett, Mrs. John Holladay and children are spending the week at Sullivan's Island.

Mr. Walter Brown and Miss Vivla Ridgeway of the Silver community were married on Sunday afternoon at the Pinewood parsonage, by the Rev. A. S. Lesley. They will make their home here with his father.

Mr. R. E. Smith of Oanta has resigned his position as cashier of the newly organized bank here. He has accepted a similar position at Lake City.

Mr. J. N. Brown, Jr., has about completed the remodeling of his home, and will shortly install a lighting system.

Miss Emma Brown is visiting relatives in Charleston.

Mr. Eddie Griffin has recently purchased a residence lot from Mr. Henry Curtis and will move his family here for the school term.

ATTACKS ON HIGH COST BRING DROP

Chicago, Aug. 12.—Concerted attacks by federal, State and municipal officials on the high cost of living resulted today in lower prices of many articles of produce to Chicago consumers. It was the first definite benefit to result from the attacks on food profiteers and hoarders. With the decrease in wholesale and retail prices there came a substantial increase in receipts of various articles of food. It was said that producers were rushing shipments to the Chicago market in fear of further reduction of prices in the near future and large quantities of supplies were being taken out of cold storage warehouses and offered for sale.

Yesterday the first sale of army canned goods at two downtown department stores resulted in the disposal of 60,000 cans of corn and peas at a saving of 80 per cent over the current retail prices.

A budget of household expenses purporting to show, that \$1,918 is the minimum on which a family of five can live for one year was introduced today by Chicago packing house employees appearing before Federal Judge Alchuler, federal mediator, with demands for increased wages.

Mrs. Anna McQuillen, who lives near the stock yards, and who prepared the budget, said it was based on June of this year, and that living expenses since then have increased 20 to 30 per cent. She declared table costs were cut to the lowest possible figure and that the amount permitted no luxuries, vacations nor savings. Prices last October made the total cost \$1,518, it was stated.

years; they may change and controvert and dodge the laws of man, however, remember that they cannot change permanent supply and demand nor can they change permanent inflation; hence, in the end you are bound to see prices something like what your cotton is worth, regardless of this hellish manipulation, and this price is bound to be above any price for which it has sold, certainly since the commencement of the war, and in all probability, a record-breaking price. Do not become intimidated, frightened, brow-beaten—we are no cowards, knaves or fools and are certainly entitled to a square deal.

The organization of the American Cotton Association is the only guarantee that we will get a square deal, that the future will be protected that present depressed conditions will be operated, the South will come into its own, and be the most prosperous part of the entire nation. We have just begun to fight—victory is certain!

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS

Between the tobacco worm, rains and strikes the farmer, warehouseman and business man in general have had a tough time this season.

Rev. L. B. McCord, pastor of the Presbyterian church is off on his vacation, and that church will be closed for a month.

Mr. A. I. Barron is putting material on the ground preparatory to building a handsome brick residence, opposite where he now lives.

Mr. Shelby Davis has purchased a lot from Mrs. Thames, next to Mr. C. N. Sprott, and will likely build a home there in the near future.

The friends of Mr. J. A. Weinberg, who was operated on in the Columbia hospital, and contracted pneumonia, will be glad to know he is improving.

Misses Lizzie Roxie and Sallie Dixon of Blackstock and Misses Leila, Ethel and Rochelle McLeod of McBee, are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Patrick.

Mrs. D. Hirschmann returned Monday from an extended trip to the Northern markets, where she purchased an up-to-date line of Fall and Winter goods.

The paving contracts have started to place the rock for the paving, and as soon as the necessary water and sewer connections are made work will begin in earnest.

Mrs. Minnie Barnett has sufficiently recovered from her recent operation to be discharged from the hospital, and she and her sister, Miss Annie Loryea are now at Tryon, N. C. for the rest of the summer.

Council should have all of the ragged awnings, low awning rods and signs removed from the sidewalks. It is time to beautify the walks while the roads are being improved.

Miss Fannie Weaver left last night for a visit with her brother in St. Louis. While there Miss Weaver will attend the fashion pageant which takes place there next week. This is one of the largest fashion shows held in the United States.

There will be a mail route soon from Manning to Summerton and St. Paul. The train passing these two places has been so uncertain that the government will start a star route from here, assuring the people of Summerton and St. Paul a daily mail service.

The big sacrifice sale at Abrams Department Stores is creating quite a stir amongst shoppers who desire to get real bargains. At the conclusion of this sale Mr. Abrams contemplates remodeling both of his stores. In addition to a new front he will remodel the inside, giving him one of the best store rooms in this section of the State.

We have been informed by one of our citizens that he is contemplating putting up an industry here that will be a great benefit to the town, and it will take an outlay of about \$100,000 to erect the plant. We hope by our next issue we will be at liberty to state what this is, and the party concerned.

A meeting of the farmers, bankers and business men of Clarendon county will be held in the Court House Wednesday, August 20th, at 12 o'clock. Among the prominent speakers will be Mr. Geo. R. Wheeler, manager of the South Carolina Landowners Association. Mr. Wheeler, who is from Charleston, will address the meeting on "Getting Ready for the Coming of the Boll Weevil" and "Increasing the Taxable Wealth of the State of South Carolina." This promises to be an exceptionally interesting meeting and it is to be hoped that our citizens will turn out in force.

SOLDIERS' BONUS

DECLARED PALTRY

Washington, Aug. 12.—Declaring the \$60 war bonus paid to discharged soldiers and sailors was "paltry" as compared with \$240 paid war workers Representative Pou, Democrat, of North Carolina, in the House today asked for non-partisan consideration of Republican and Democrats in dealing with additional bonuses.

"When we deal with the soldiers," he said, "I hope there will be no political differences. I hope there will be no sparring for political advantages. The additional bonds should be large enough to give all discharged soldiers and sailors a good start as civilians."

"The watch dogs" of the treasury, Mr. Pou stated, would be "horror-stricken at the amount of the appropriation." Justice should be done these men at any cost, he said.

TO LOOK FOR AVIATORS

Marfa, Texas, Aug. 12.—Searching parties were despatched today to look for Lieuts. Peterson and Davis, American army aviator of El Paso, who are thought to be lost in Mexico.

WANTS BIG SUM FOR FOOD INVESTIGATIONS

Chairman Murdock Says Funds Authorized Insufficient

TWO BILLS ARE PRESENTED

Would Fine Profiteers \$10,000; Glass Asks \$75,000 for Secret Service.

Washington Aug. 12.—An appropriation of \$500,000 for investigation of the increased cost of living by the federal trade commission was asked of Congress today by Acting Chairman Murdock of the commission in a letter to Speaker Gillette. Funds for the commission already authorized are insufficient to conclude the proposed inquiry, the letter said.

Chairman Murdock, who also is a member of the subcommittee named by Attorney General Palmer to submit recommendations for reducing living costs, set forth in his letter that the commission proposed to conduct further investigations as to the production, storage and distribution of foodstuffs with the aim of arriving at figures on the real cost, wholesale and retail prices.

So far as known the President has not directed any additional investigations but bills are pending in the House for inquiries into the sugar and shoes industries.

For Secret Service.

The communication from the committee chairman reached the House at the close of a day during which both branches of Congress gave much attention to cost of living problems. Appropriation of \$175,000 was asked for the secret service by Secretary Glass, who asked that in authorizing the appropriation a clause be inserted to permit the use of the service operatives in running down food hoarders and profiteers.

Two Bills Presented.

Hoarding and profiteering were the subject of two measures presented in the House. A bill by Representative Gard, Democrat, Ohio, would provide \$10,000 fine or five years' imprisonment for hoarding, profiteering or monopolizing the production of foodstuffs, fuel or clothing. Representative Goodykointz, Republican, West Virginia, presented a resolution to direct the judiciary committee to frame legislation to eliminate hoarding and to reduce the amount of currency in circulation. Mr. Goodykointz also introduced a resolution requesting the Secretary of War to sell the surplus stocks of automobiles and motor trucks.

To Regulate Price.

Representative Kellar, independent Republican, introduced a bill to authorize creation of a national board of conservation headed by the President and composed of members of the Cabinet, five Senators and five Representatives which would have power to regulate wholesale and retail prices of food and clothing.

Representative Fess, Republican, Ohio, discussing the high cost of living in the House declared that government wastefulness during the war and at present in continuing many war-created agencies largely was responsible for the existing situation. Senator McKellar, Democrat, Tennessee, appearing before the House agriculture committee, predicted organized opposition on the part of the packing industry to any legislation to regulate cold storage facilities.

Coming Up Again Today.

The cost of living question will be brought up again tomorrow on the floor of the Senate with prepared addresses by Senator McKellar and Senator Reed, Democrat, Missouri. The two addresses probably will give rise to considerable debate.

Although no announcement was made by the Department of Justice today regarding its efforts to bring living expenses down to a level with the average man's pocketbook, it was understood that the activities already directed were progressing with the department's representatives hard at work in all parts of the country.

CARS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Camden, N. J., Aug. 12.—Twenty-one trolley cars were destroyed in a fire today that swept the barn of the Public Service Railway Company. The total loss will reach \$300,000. The fire started underneath a car in the barn,